

OVERCOMING TERRORS OF UNKNOWN LAND, COOK FINDS GOAL AT LAST

(Continued from Second Page.)

On May 2 the sky cleared long enough to give us a set of observations. We had reached the eighty-fourth parallel near the ninety-seventh meridian. The ice was much broken and drifted eastward, leaving many open spaces of water. There remained on our sleds enough food to reach our caches on Nansen sound unless we averaged fifteen miles daily. With the disrupted "Isak" and reduced strength we were hardly equal to ten miles daily.

Trying to make the best of our hard lot, a straight course was set for the musk ox lands of the inner crossing. At the eighty-third parallel we found ourselves to the west of a large track extending southward. The ice changed to small fields. The temperature rose to zero and a persistent mist obscured the heavens. The evening of the following day were pressed into desperate action, with a few lines on paper to register the life of suffering. The food for man and dog was reduced to a three-quarter ration, while the difficulties of ice travel rose to disheartening heights. At the end of a strenuous day of twenty-four hours through thick fog the sky cleared and we found ourselves far down in Crown Prince Gustav Sea, with open water and impossible small ice as a barrier between us and Helberg Island. In the next few days we came along as lifeless.

The empty stomachs were fed and the horizon for a time was cleared of trouble. With the return to Annotok, rendered difficult by the unfortunate westerly drift, we now sought to follow the ice movement south to Lancaster Sound, where it seemed to reach a Scottish whaler. Early in July further southward progress became impossible, and in quest of food, we crossed the fifth of Devon into Jones Sound.

The dogs were here given the freedom of their wolf propensities, and by sailing boat and sleds we reached the Baffin Bay. With but an occasional bird to eat and a long line of misfortune we pushed eastward until the frost of early September stopped progress. With neither food, fuel nor ammunition we were forced to wrest supplies from what seemed to reach a lifeless desert. Pressed by hunger, new implements were shaped and Cape Sparbo was picked as a likely place to find life. Game was located with the bow and arrow, the line, the lance and the knife. The musk ox, bear and wolves were slain and the fat, an underground den was prepared and in it we remained until sunrise of 1903.

On February 15 the start was made. With a newly prepared equipment the Greenland shores were reached on April 15. Here we were greeted by a happy and anxious group of Eskimo friends. To facilitate an early return I moved southward to the Danish settlement and reached Upernavik on May 21, 1903.

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Message From Cook.
BRUSSELS, September 1.—The observatory here received the following telegram, dated Lerwick, Shetland, 1 a.m.: "Reached North Pole April 21, 1903."

BRIEF MESSAGE TO WIFE BRINGS NEWS OF SUCCESS

NEW YORK, September 1.—"Successful, well. Address Copenhagen. (Signed) "FREDERICK COOK."

Full of meaning if "successful" is interpreted to indicate that he has reached the North Pole, the foregoing cable message, exasperating in its brevity, was received in New York today from Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Arctic explorer, who has just returned to his home with his wife and a few companions, having accomplished what no man ever accomplished before.

The message was sent, not to any society or to any of his associates interested in his expedition from a scientific viewpoint, but to his wife, who has been counting the days and hours and praying for his safety since his departure from this city on July 4, 1901.

Not at Home When Message Came.
By a mere chance, Mrs. Cook was not at her Brooklyn home, but spending the summer at Harpswell, Me., and therefore the dispatch was received by Dr. R. T. Davidson, a personal friend of the explorer, who made its contents known and then flashed the good news on to Mrs. Cook.

Brief as it was, the message was the first information that she has had from her intrepid husband since March 17, 1901, when he wrote from Cape Hubbard, on the edge of the polar sea, to the northwest side of Ellesmere Land. At that time, he advised his companion, Rudolph Franke, then stationed at Etah, Greenland, with supplies, to wait there until June for his return, but in the event of his failure to appear to proceed to America.

Franke waited as instructed, but as Dr. Cook did not come back, he caught the Peary auxiliary ship and reached New York last fall. Since that time Dr. Cook has been a mystery to the Arctic Club, in this city, viewing the situation optimistically, were inclined to think that he had reached the pole, despite his long silence.

There was, of course, the ever-present anxiety that he had perished, and a relief ship had been sent to Etah, where she is due the middle of this month. The vessel, the schooner Jeanie, left St. John's, N. F., about two weeks ago with the double purpose of searching for Dr. Cook and taking supplies to Commander Peary.

The expedition was financed by a special committee headed by Dr. Roswell O. Stebbins, of this city, and composed of friends of Dr. Cook and men of science who were most keenly interested in his venture. To these men news that he was safe and the report that he had reached the pole were received with rejoicing tonight, although none of them had any further advice.

No Official Action.
No official action was taken to-night by the Arctic Club, the Explorers' Club, or the American Geographical Society, for none of these associations had received any formal notification of Dr. Cook's success. Arthur M. Huntington, president of the American Geo-

TWO FAMOUS EXPLORERS PAY TRIBUTE TO DR. COOK

CONWAY CENTRE, N. H., September 1.—"The most extraordinary feat in polar exploration" was the appraisal of Dr. Cook's exploit by General Adolphus W. Greeley, the commander of the Lady Franklin Bay International polar expedition from the United States in 1854, when informed to-night of the cablegram announcing the Brooklyn man's success. General Greeley said:

"Dr. Cook's achievement reported by the colonial office of the Danish government must be viewed as the greatest extraordinary feat in polar exploration. He was practically without what had previously been considered to be an indispensable equipment for extensive polar travel. He could have performed his work only by extraordinary endurance, aided by fortuitous conditions in the Arctic."

"The attainment of the north geographical pole by an American is an accomplishment that merits the highest possible acknowledgment and consideration by the American people. I offer my heartiest congratulations to one of our country's greatest explorers."

Dr. Cook's party reached a point 83.24 degrees from the pole, thus proceeding farther toward that much-sought-for point than had previously been attained. That expedition was a trying one for those concerned.

Before they reached this country again their numbers had been reduced by death to seven. At Cape Sabine, the survivors were rescued by a relief expedition under Commodore, now Rear-Admiral, Wingfield S. Schley, retired, president of the Arctic Club.

Significant Success.
LONDON, September 1.—Lieutenant Ernest H. Shackleton, in a special article contributed to a morning newspaper, says:

"I have very recent recollections of the hardships of the struggle in ice-bound regions. Therefore I can realize the effort Dr. Cook's feat cost and feel a personal pleasure that it has been crowned with such magnificent success. Of course, the attainment of either pole will stop the fitting out of expeditions designed solely to reach the pole, but even after both poles have been reached, scientific expeditions will continue to penetrate the polar regions, which, apart from the poles themselves, will remain a vast field for scientific study and research."

Foreign Capitals Hear Of American's Achievement

COPENHAGEN, September 1.—That Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the American explorer, reached the North Pole in his expedition, which has just ended, was given full credence here, although details are lacking of his intrepid dash across the ice.

A message was received at the Colonial office here this morning, via Lerwick, Shetland Islands, announcing that Dr. Cook had reached the pole on April 21, 1903. This dispatch was sent by a Greenland official on board the Danish government steamer Hans Egede, which passed Lerwick at noon to-day en route for Denmark, and read as follows:

"We have on board the American traveler, Dr. Cook, who reached the North Pole April 21, 1903. Dr. Cook arrived at Upernavik in May of 1903, from Cape York. The Esquimaux of Cape York confirm Dr. Cook's story of his journey."

Officially Notified.
It is understood that the Danish consul at Lerwick, where the Hans Egede remained for two hours, was officially notified of Dr. Cook's success in his attempt to reach the pole, but that he was bound to secrecy concerning the extent and nature of the explorer's discoveries.

Director Ryberg, head of the Greenland administration bureau, said to-night that he did not expect to receive any further details of Dr. Cook's achievement before the arrival of the Hans Egede at this port, which probably will be Saturday afternoon. The vessel will make no stop on the voyage from Lerwick to Copenhagen.

Director Ryberg proceeded to the American legation and informed the minister, Dr. Maurice P. Egan, that Dr. Cook had reached the North Pole. The announcement caused the greatest enthusiasm throughout the city, many Americans called at the legation to congratulate the minister.

Remarkable Achievement.
LONDON, September 2.—Dr. Cook's feat has created tremendous interest among all classes here, especially geographers. The brief telegram concerning his achievement was printed

1903. Discovered land far north. Returns to Copenhagen by steamer Hans Egede.

(Signed) "FREDERICK COOK." The American officials at the observatory state that the dispatch is surely authentic, and that the North Pole has been reached for the first time, and by an American.

Sketch of His Life.

Dr. Frederick Albert Cook, to whom has fallen the honor of this discovery, is a native of New York, and has been for many years a resident of Brooklyn. He is the son of Theodore A. and

Margaret C. Cook, and was born in Sullivan county, N. Y., June 10, 1865. His family was of German extraction, and his father changed his name from Koch to Cook only a few years before the birth of the explorer.

His family moved to Brooklyn about 1878 and Cook received his education in that city. He decided to study medicine and entered the University of New York in 1885. He was graduated in 1890, and became a member of the medical corps in 1890, and settled in Brooklyn. Soon thereafter he made the acquaintance of Captain R. E. Peary and was invited by the latter to serve as surgeon on his polar expedition of 1891-92.

This was Cook's first experience in exploration, and it encouraged him to further efforts in the future. Upon the return of the Peary expedition, after it had reached the high latitude of 84 degrees 71 minutes, Cook became attached to the Royal Belgian Expedition for Antarctic Exploration and set sail for the South in 1897.

He remained for two years in Antarctic regions, and was so prominent in the expedition that he was decorated with the Order of Leopold by the Belgian government, and was awarded the gold medal of the Belgian Geographical Society. Returning to New York in 1899, Dr. Cook wrote his well-known work, "Through the First Antarctic Night," and became a prominent member of the Exploration Club. He received several offers to participate in polar expeditions, but declined these and followed his profession.

Meanwhile he was studying the results of recent explorations, and was formulating plans for a dash for the pole by a new route. Early in 1901 he set out ostensibly for a hunting expedition of Greenland, and he did not disclose his real destination until he was well up in the Arctic circle. After his letters of August, 1901, nothing was heard of Cook until Peary found upon reaching Etah last summer that Cook had left on March 3, 1903, for his dash to the pole. He started from Annotok with eight Esquimaux, four sledges and twelve dog teams. His proposed route was across Grinnell and Grant Land to the Arctic Ocean.

Lord de Clifford Killed
Englishman Who Married Gibson Girl Victim of Auto.

LONDON, September 1.—Jack Southwell Russell, Lord de Clifford, was killed in an automobile accident to-day at Bamber, near Brighton. His car collided with another vehicle and he was killed instantly.

Lord de Clifford was born in 1854. In February, 1906, he was married to Eva Carrington, who was at one time on the stage as one of the "Gibson Girls" in a local comedy.

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The Land of Nod. Like a circus, is the kind of performance that the grown-ups take the children to see in order to give pleasure to themselves. For the company that sang and danced in the Land of Nod, through that wonderful last night at the Academy of Music numbered several good comedians and many pretty girls.

After the unloveliness of the chorus of "The Soul Kiss," the pretty faces and slender figures of the many "flower girls," "card girls" and "waitresses" delighted the eye, and one could forgive them for not singing very well.

Knox Nelson, as "April Fool," and Neil McNeil, "Welsh Rarebit," who are old favorites in Richmond, were the fun-makers, and they were funny all the time, especially when they played the races and figured out that they had won only eleven times in 100.

Nelson Riley, as "The Weatherman," and "The Devil," has a good bass voice, and carried off the singing honors, no other voice in the company deserving notice.

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Minor Attractions.
B. Medling, charged with being disorderly and striking with a lamp, was arrested late last night.

Charles Morton was arrested and placed in the Second Station on the charge of being disorderly and raising a disturbance in the Virginia Pool Parlor.

Henry Smith was arrested on the charge of being a suspicious character, the suspicion being that he had committed larceny.

C. C. Cooper, colored, was charged with being drunk and disorderly on a car, and was locked up last night.

Destroyed Large Still.
Revenue Agent Chapman yesterday received a report of a raid made near Benson, Johnson county, N. C., in which Deputies Adams and Holland confiscated and destroyed a large still. The operators escaped before the officers arrived.

Resume Weekly Meetings.
The Young Men's Society of the

SKY GAZERS WATCH MARS HIT THE MOON
Great Astronomical Interest Taken in Eclipse to Be Seen but Once in a Lifetime—Will Enable Scientists to Correct Calculations.

Did you see the eclipse of Mars last night? If you did not, you missed the sight of a lifetime. For the star-gazers say it will not happen again within that span of existence.

At 9 o'clock last night, the luminous orb of Mars was shadowed and obscured by the moon, becoming invisible to the eye. The event was one of great interest to astronomers and scientific circles, because of the fact that accurate observations of such an occultation are of great value in verifying and correcting astronomical tables. Moreover, such phenomena are

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Two lives saved by hair's breadth.

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Two lives were saved by a hair's breadth shortly after 2 o'clock this morning, when W. F. Mahoney, of Mahoney and Welsiger, and Frank Doyle, a plumber, escaped being crushed under a beam which was torn from the roof of Stump's restaurant, at Eighth and Main Streets. Doyle was struck by the block and knocked senseless, but Mahoney escaped without injury.

Several workmen were removing an iron range, weighing probably a ton, and had attached a rope used in moving the cooking apparatus, to the roof. When the range was within six feet of the ground, the wooden work creaked, and a voice from above gave the warning. The square wooden piece crushed beneath the weight of the range, and struck Doyle a glance back on the head.

Fellow-workmen lifted the unconscious Doyle, and he was taken into the restaurant. Dr. B. C. Willis was the first physician to arrive, and after a careful examination stated that Doyle may be broken in the many bones of the head. The left side of the head was horribly bruised, and the patient complained of severe pains. It is not believed that the skull is fractured.

Doyle, who lives on Chestnut Hill, insisted on being taken home, but on advice of the physician he remained at the Stump place. The injured man is about thirty years old.

CHOKED AND ROBBED WOMAN
Tramp Accused of Attacking Sister-in-Law of Congressman.

ALEXANDRIA, La., September 1.—Harry Miller, serving a jail sentence here for vagrancy, was to-night identified by Mrs. Mattie Randall as the man who held her up several nights ago and attempted to steal her pocket-book after choking her.

Mrs. Randall is a sister-in-law of Representative Joseph E. Randall, of the Fifth Congressional District of Louisiana. The police claim that Miller is wanted in Terre Haute, Ind., for robbing an express agent.

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Hagueah events would have taken a different turn. In conclusion the former sovereign of Persia said he would prefer to wander through Persia as a simple dervish than to be expropriated.

Exiled for Life.
TEHRAN, September 1.—A number of former higher Persian officials, including an uncle of the ex-Shah and Haddi Jamali, director of the mint, fifteen in all, had been sentenced to exile for life. These men are now refugees at the Turkish and Russian legations. They were neither present nor defended at the trials at which they were convicted.

Firemen Hurt in Georgia.
ROME, GA., September 1.—Two firemen were seriously cut by falling glass and three stores were destroyed, with a loss of \$80,000, practically covered by insurance, in a fire which broke out here shortly after 2 o'clock this morning. The same section of the city was swept by a \$150,000 blaze last January.

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Second Baptist Church will resume its regular weekly meetings after a summer vacation on Sunday evening in the parlor of the church at 8:15 o'clock.

Charged With Assault.
Edward Blackburn, a white man, was arrested last night on the charge of assaulting James Shaw. He was taken by Magistrate J. A. Purdie and will appear in the Police Court this morning.

OBITUARY
Sarah Elizabeth Hudgins, the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hudgins, died last night at 9:14 o'clock at her residence, B. Center Park. Announcement of the funeral arrangements will be made later.

Miss Ethel May Otey.
Miss Ethel May Otey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Otey, died at the residence of her parents, 403 North Twenty-seventh Street, yesterday morning at 10:10 o'clock. She was twenty years of age.

The funeral will take place this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock from Leigh Street Baptist Church, to which the remains will be taken from the residence of Mr. Otey at 10:10 o'clock. She was twenty years of age.

Albert Hudson Gentry.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va., September 1.—Albert H. Hudson, Gentry, aged eighty-six, one of the oldest railroad contractors in this section of the State, died to-day after a long illness. Early in the Civil War Mr. Gentry was incapacitated for active service by a broken leg. Later he was engaged to furnish lumber for the Confederate army, his headquarters being in Richmond. The war over, he returned to farm life, but later took up railroad contracting, in which he was very successful. His health necessitated his retirement about ten years ago. Mr. Gentry was married three times. His first wife was Miss Mary Sowell, daughter of the late Lewis Sowell, of this city; the second was Miss Sallie Wingfield, daughter of the late Thomas Wingfield, a prosperous farmer, and the third was Mrs. Mary Haden, a sister of E. G. Haden, Mayor of Charlottesville. Five children survive—Mrs. M. E. Sneed and E. H. Gentry, both of this city; Mrs. Gentry of Ivy, Va.; P. H. Gentry, of Albemarle, and Mrs. C. R. Hise, of Sperryville, Rappahannock county. Mr. Gentry had been a member of the Baptist Church for over sixty years. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon from the First Baptist Church, of this city, at 2 o'clock. The pastor, the Rev. Furman H. Martin, D. D.

Mrs. William H. Baker.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WINCHESTER, Va., September 1.—Mrs. Emma V. Baker, wife of William H. Baker, a wealthy chocolate manufacturer, banker, merchant and president of the Winchester Commercial Club, died to-day, after illness lasting but a few days. She was thought to be improving, when she suffered a relapse. Her death was the result of a date cause of death. Mrs. Baker was born in Cecil county, Md., fifty-one years ago. She was the daughter of a farmer, and was educated in the common schools. She was a prominent social, and dispensed much charity. Mr. Baker, who was in New York on business, arrived to-night.

William Madison Barker.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHATHAM, Va., September 1.—William Madison Barker, a septuagenarian, died yesterday at his home in Pittsylvania county, four miles from this place, following an illness of months. He was a member of the Commercial Club, and the greater part of his life had been spent in this county. He is survived by his wife and one brother, J. M. Barker, of Henry county, member of the State Board of Agriculture.

Burial of Mrs. Shilo Alcott.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CLARKSVILLE, Va., September 1.—The body of Mrs. Shilo Alcott was buried in Oakhurst Cemetery, here, yesterday morning. Mrs. Alcott died at the home of her children in Bacon, Ky., the oldest son, Charles Alcott, accompanied the body to Virginia. Mrs. Alcott was formerly a resident here. The burial service was largely attended.

Burial of Mrs. William Favill.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., September 1.—The remains of Mrs. William Favill, formerly of this city, who died in Brooklyn, N. Y., at an advanced age, were brought here to-day and taken to the city cemetery for interment by the side of her husband. Rev. W. L. Dolly, of the Methodist Church, conducted the services at the grave.